

What is a Public Policy?

In the U.S. a public policy is an agreed upon way that our government fulfills its responsibilities to protect individual rights and promote the common welfare.

☐ Some public policies are written into laws by legislatures (i.e., Congress, State Legislatures, City Councils, School Boards, etc.).

☐ Other policies are contained in rules and regulations created by executive branches of government (i.e., President, Governor, Mayor, School Superintendent, etc.), the branches of government responsible for carrying out and enforcing laws.